

Westwood Shade Tree Advisory Committee – Minutes – April 14, 2008

Attendance: V. Sauer, L. Hayes , S. Scherba , and P. Grefrath

Meeting began at 7:30 PM

The March 2008 minutes were voted on and approved.

Telephone Messages:

- Resident at 41 McKinley reported that a large branch fell down
- Resident at 518 Candle Place called about a fence being installed too close to a shade tree she believes.
- Resident on James Street reported that an neighbor has cut down 3 trees on their property

Correspondence:

Heritage Society has invited us to have a table on May 18th at Westwood Heritage Day.

Spring Planting:

The trees will be arriving on April 22nd and the DPW will be able to plant them.

Council Liaison update:

- Misha Property – Peter asked that the planning board give them a report on anything that comes up regarding shade trees.
- Peter was able to get a copy of Tenaflly's Application for tree removal permit and would like out comments when we meet in May
- The Shade tree plaque will be moved downstairs in the Borough Hall on to the Shade Tree Wall
- Mill Street Trees – Resident Jordan Nemoff will get his neighbors to write a letter of request for shade trees. We will see if we have any extra trees from spring delivery and try to meet their requests.
- Veterans Park Improvements – At this time there is still money in the town budget – our input was requested and we strongly suggested that any money be put to purchasing an irrigation system
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Tree Inventory:

We received the proposal for street tree inventory and evaluation service from Paul Cowie and Associates. The cost for complete survey, data collection, data entry, and storage and data analysis is \$23,750 for up to 6500 trees.

Miscellaneous:

- Meisel donation – We will order and plant trees in the fall 2008
- Mill Street – We will use the tree recovery fund to provide the money for wish list and to replant Mill Street where the Tri-Color Beech trees died.
- Terrace Drive – DPW will fill in curb area with extra macadam and Peter will look into the possibility of prisoners' painting the railing
- Proclamation – the Proclamation will be presented at the April 22nd Council meeting.
- Letter to Masons, Landscapers and Tree People – Sheryl will work on a rough draft to be sent out to local businesses

Meeting ended at 9:30 PM